

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of November 14, 2013

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, November 14, 2013, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:03 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein Chairman	Philip T. Ashton
James J. Murphy Vice Chairman	Daniel P. Lynch
Robert Hannon (designee for Commissioner Esty)	Michael W. Klemens
	Barbara C. Bell
	Michael Caron (designee for Chairman House)

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney	Robert Mercier Siting Analyst
Fred Cunliffe Siting Analyst Supervisor	Michael Perrone Siting Analyst
Christina Walsh Siting Analyst Supervisor	David Martin Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Carriann Mulcahy

Minutes of October 31, 2013.

Dr. Bell moved to approve the minutes of October 31, 2013, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton arrived at 1:04 p.m.

Mr. Caron arrived at 1:05 p.m.

DOCKET NO. F-2012/2013 – Connecticut Siting Council Review of the Ten-Year Forecast of Connecticut Electric Loads and Resources. Draft Report.

Council members may provide comments to Mr. Perrone by December 2, 2013. The utility comments are due by November 27, 2013.

Mr. Ashton moved for the Council to issue a report of the Ten-Year Forecast of Connecticut Electric Loads and Resources every odd year, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 426 – Third Taxing District Electric Department Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of an electrical substation located at 6 Fitch Street, Norwalk, Connecticut. Landscaping Plan.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the landscaping plan, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 442 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 284 New Canaan Avenue, Norwalk, Connecticut. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Lynch moved to grant intervenor status to Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, seconded by Mr. Ashton. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 443 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 257 Perkins Road, Southbury, Connecticut. Completeness Review, Schedule, Custodian of the Docket, Deposition of the Transcript, Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Ashton moved to deem the application as complete, approve the schedule for processing the docket as per staff recommendations, the appointment of Carriann Mulcahy as custodian of the docket, the deposition of the transcript in the Towns of Southbury and Roxbury, a public field review and hearing in Southbury on Tuesday, January 28, 2014; seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1058 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed 1990 line structure replacement project consisting of modifications of two sections of an existing 115-kV transmission line from Stevenson Substation to Frost Bridge Substation and from Baldwin Junction to Baldwin Substation traversing the municipalities of Monroe, Oxford, Middlebury, Waterbury and Watertown, Connecticut. Development and Management Plans for Shaw's Hill Substation Landscaping Plan and Revised Design for Structure #393.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the Shaw's Hill Substation Landscaping Plan and the Naugatuck River Crossing from Baldwin Street substation final portion of the Development & Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

PETITION NO. 1077 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the extension of an existing telecommunications facility at the Simsbury Volunteer Fire Department located at 345 Bushy Hill Road, Simsbury, Connecticut. Set Date for Decision.

Mr. Murphy moved to set December 31, 2013, as the date by which the Council shall render a decision on this petition, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-VER-104-131021 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve the shared used of an existing telecommunications facility located at 39 Maennerchor Avenue, Norwich, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request with the following conditions:

- The proposed feed lines and accessory equipment shall be installed as specified in the Structural Analysis Report prepared by FDH Engineering dated September 25, 2013 and stamped by Christopher Murphy; and
- Within 45 days following completion of the antenna installation, Verizon shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the recommendations of the structural analysis.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-AT&T-076-131023 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC request for an order to approve the shared used of an existing telecommunications facility located at 15 Orchard Park Road, Madison, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-VER-104-131023 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve the shared used of an existing telecommunications facility located at 202 North Wawecus Hill Road, Norwich, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-VER-138-131028 – Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve the shared use of an existing telecommunications facility located at 23 Stonybrook Road, Stratford, Connecticut. Decision.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve this tower sharing request, seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-CL&P-151-121206 – The Connecticut Light and Power Company and Yankee Gas Services Company Request for an Order to Approve the Shared Use of an Existing Telecommunications Facility located at 207 Garden Hill Circle, Waterbury, Connecticut. Request for Amendment.

Mr. Ashton moved to approve the amendment to this tower sharing request with the following condition:

- CL&P shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the recommendations of the Structural Analysis Report prepared by FDH Engineering dated July 22, 2013 and stamped by Christopher Murphy.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters

DOCKET NO. 441 – Homeland Towers, LLC and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 10 Blackville Road, Washington, Connecticut. Request for Party/Intervenor Status.

Mr. Murphy moved to add this item to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashton moved to grant party status to the Town of Washington, seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

The following calendar events were discussed.

- ❖ Tuesday, December 3, 2013, **Docket No. 441** (Homeland/AT&T-Washington) beginning at **2:00 p.m.**, Field Review and Public Hearing in Washington.
- ❖ Thursday, December 12, 2013, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- ❖ Thursday, December 19, 2013, **Docket No. 442** (AT&T-Norwalk) beginning at **2:00 p.m.**, Field Review and Public Hearing in Norwalk.

Adjournment.

Mr. Ashton moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Caron. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/cm